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INTRODUCTION

The description of the computer program is designed to display and evaluate the comparison of multilayer, dielectric, thin-film optical filter transmittance values with corresponding wavelength data for normal incidence only.

The program is written for the PDP-5 and PDP-8 combined computer system which has an intercommunication buffer, a 30-G cathode ray tube (CRT) display, a deck tape system, and teletype and punched-tape input and output equipment.

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COMPUTER PROGRAM

The "Thin-Film Filter Computer Program System" has been written to operate with the PDP-5/8 computers linked with an interface connection. The system uses the following peripheral equipment: a teletype input-output system and a 30-G display unit with 14-inch CRT.

The program system is in three parts. The main program is a FORTRAN program that reads the input data tape, performs the necessary calculations, sends a signal to the CRT link routine, and prints complete results on the teletype unit. The CRT display program is an assembler language program that displays the FORTRAN program results on the CRT; the link program is an assembler language program that transmits the FORTRAN program output to the PDP-5.

The input data for a run are arranged on paper tape according to the format in table I. Definitions of the variables listed in table I are found in table II.

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The data for adjusting the thicknesses may be prepared on paper tape or typed manually on the teletype as the program proceeds. A sample data tape is shown in table III. The data on the paper tape are transmitted to the computer by the teletype unit.

Output on the teletype unit is shown in tables IV to VII. An output sample for CRT can be found on pages 6 and 8 of NASA TM X-58013 entitled "Evaluation of Optical Thin-Film Filters." Following table VII are the listings and flow charts (figs. 1 and 2) for the three computer programs.

The loading sequence is in two main parts. The first part is for the PDP-5, and the second part is for the PDP-8.

1. PDP-5 — Load CRT display routine and floating point package A in either order with the binary loader; branch to 0400 to start the display routine.

2. PDP-8 — Load according to the following order:

- a. FORTRAN operating system no. 1 with binary loader
- b. Assembler language link routine with binary loader
- c. FORTRAN program object tape with low-speed reader option

Branch to 0200 and begin.

TABLE I. - INPUT SEQUENCE AND FORMAT

Input sequence	Format
N	I
M	I
XNO	E
XNS	E
XN_1	E
\vdots	\vdots
XN_n	E
$XLAM_1$	E
\vdots	\vdots
$XLAM_m$	E
TH_1	E
\vdots	\vdots
TH_n	E
$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} NINP, I, TH_i \\ \vdots \\ \text{Repeat until } NINP = 0 \end{array} \right.$	$\begin{array}{l} I, I, E \\ I, I, E \end{array}$

^aRepeat for each altered set of thicknesses.

TABLE II. - INPUT DEFINITIONS

Initial	Definition
N	Number of layers
M	Number of lambdas
XNO	Incident medium refractive index (N_o)
XNS	Substrate refractive index (N_s)
XNi	Index of refraction of layer
XLAMi	Wavelength of light (lambda)
THi	Thickness of a layer
Thickness Alterations ^a	
NINP	If NINP = 0, last thickness change If NINP = 1, more changes coming
I	That layer where thickness is to be changed
Th(i)	The changed thickness

^aThis section is repeated every time a new altered thickness table is desired.

TABLE III. - INPUT TAPE FOR INITIAL SET OF THICKNESSES^a

Input parameters	Wavelength λ	Thickness t
18	.40E-04	.643E-05
15	.41E-04	.751E-05
1.0	.42E-04	.890E-05
1.52	.43E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.44E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.45E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.46E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.47E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.48E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.49E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.50E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.51E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.52E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.53E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.54E-04	.890E-05
2.30		.751E-05
1.38		.890E-05
2.30		.751E-05
1.38		
2.30		
1.38		
2.30		

^aInput order: column 1 followed by column 2 followed by column 3.

TABLE IV. - OUTPUT OF INITIAL SET PARAMETERS

NUMBER OF LAYERS = 18
NUMBER OF LAMBDA = 15

XNO = 1.0

XNS = 1.52

LAYER INDEX OF REFRACTION

+1	1.38
+2	2.30
+3	1.38
+4	2.30
+5	1.38
+6	2.30
+7	1.38
+8	2.30
+9	1.38
+10	2.30
+11	1.38
+12	2.30
+13	1.38
+14	2.30
+15	1.38
+16	2.30
+17	1.38
+18	2.30

LAMBDA

.40E-04
.41E-04
.42E-04
.43E-04
.44E-04
.45E-04
.46E-04
.47E-04
.48E-04
.49E-04
.50E-04
.51E-04
.52E-04
.53E-04
.54E-04

TABLE V.- OUTPUT OF INITIAL SET, λ VERSUS T

LAYER THICKNESS OF LAYER

+1	.643E-05
+2	.751E-05
+3	.890E-05
+4	.751E-05
+5	.890E-05
+6	.751E-05
+7	.890E-05
+8	.751E-05
+9	.890E-05
+10	.751E-05
+11	.890E-05
+12	.751E-05
+13	.890E-05
+14	.751E-05
+15	.890E-05
+16	.751E-05
+17	.890E-05
+18	.751E-05

LAMBDA TRANSMITTANCE

+0.399999E-4	+0.987624E+0
+0.409999E-4	+0.942006E+0
+0.419999E-4	+0.972206E+0
+0.429999E-4	+0.992719E+0
+0.439999E-4	+0.910667E+0
+0.449999E-4	+0.892187E+0
+0.459999E-4	+0.984376E+0
+0.469999E-4	+0.898954E+0
+0.480000E-4	+0.693483E+0
+0.489999E-4	+0.785219E+0
+0.499999E-4	+0.779257E+0
+0.509999E-4	+0.117121E+0
+0.519999E-4	+0.248735E-1
+0.529999E-4	+0.829176E-2
+0.539999E-4	+0.369789E-2

TABLE VI. - OUTPUT OF ADJUSTED SET

1 12 659E-05
 Thickness adjustments 1
 0 13 767E-05

LAYER THICKNESS

+1 +0.642998E-5
 +2 +0.750999E-5
 +3 +0.889999E-5
 +4 +0.750999E-5
 +5 +0.889999E-5
 +6 +0.750999E-5
 +7 +0.889999E-5
 +8 +0.750999E-5
 +9 +0.889999E-5
 +10 +0.750999E-5
 +11 +0.889999E-5
 +12 +0.658999E-2
 +13 +0.767000E-2
 +14 +0.750999E-5
 +15 +0.889999E-5
 +16 +0.750999E-5
 +17 +0.889999E-5
 +18 +0.750999E-5

LAMBDA TRANSMITTANCE

+0.399999E-4 +0.832921E+0
 +0.409999E-4 +0.789471E+0
 +0.419999E-4 +0.984829E+0
 +0.429999E-4 +0.935955E+0
 +0.439999E-4 +0.937062E+0
 +0.449999E-4 +0.887739E+0
 +0.459999E-4 +0.870450E+0
 +0.469999E-4 +0.682983E+0
 +0.480000E-4 +0.389687E+0
 +0.489999E-4 +0.206427E+0
 +0.499999E-4 +0.374616E-1
 +0.509999E-4 +0.278002E-1
 +0.519999E-4 +0.591010E-1
 +0.529999E-4 +0.127748E+0
 +0.539999E-4 +0.388402E-1

TABLE VII. - OUTPUT OF ADJUSTED SET

Ø1	8	.699E-05	
Ø1	9	.777E-05	Thickness adjustments 2
ØØ	1Ø	.688E-05	

LAYER	THICKNESS
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+1	+Ø.642998E-5
+2	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+3	+Ø.889999E-5
+4	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+5	+Ø.889999E-5
+6	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+7	+Ø.889999E-5
+8	+Ø.698999E-5
+9	+Ø.776999E-5
+1Ø	+Ø.687999E-5
+11	+Ø.889999E-5
+12	+Ø.658999E-2
+13	+Ø.767ØØØE-2
+14	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+15	+Ø.889999E-5
+16	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+17	+Ø.889999E-5
+18	+Ø.75Ø999E-5

LAMBDA	TRANSMITTANCE
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+Ø.399999E-4	+Ø.944412E+Ø
+Ø.4Ø9999E-4	+Ø.62Ø119E+Ø
+Ø.419999E-4	+Ø.869817E+Ø
+Ø.429999E-4	+Ø.796673E+Ø
+Ø.439999E-4	+Ø.8663Ø7E+Ø
+Ø.449999E-4	+Ø.8481ØØE+Ø
+Ø.459999E-4	+Ø.717866E+Ø
+Ø.469999E-4	+Ø.38633ØE+Ø
+Ø.48ØØØØE-4	+Ø.1Ø3591E+Ø
+Ø.489999E-4	+Ø.481866E-1
+Ø.499999E-4	+Ø.153897E-1
+Ø.5Ø9999E-4	+Ø.173737E-1
+Ø.519999E-4	+Ø.177824E-1
+Ø.529999E-4	+Ø.583763E+Ø
+Ø.539999E-4	+Ø.664485E-1

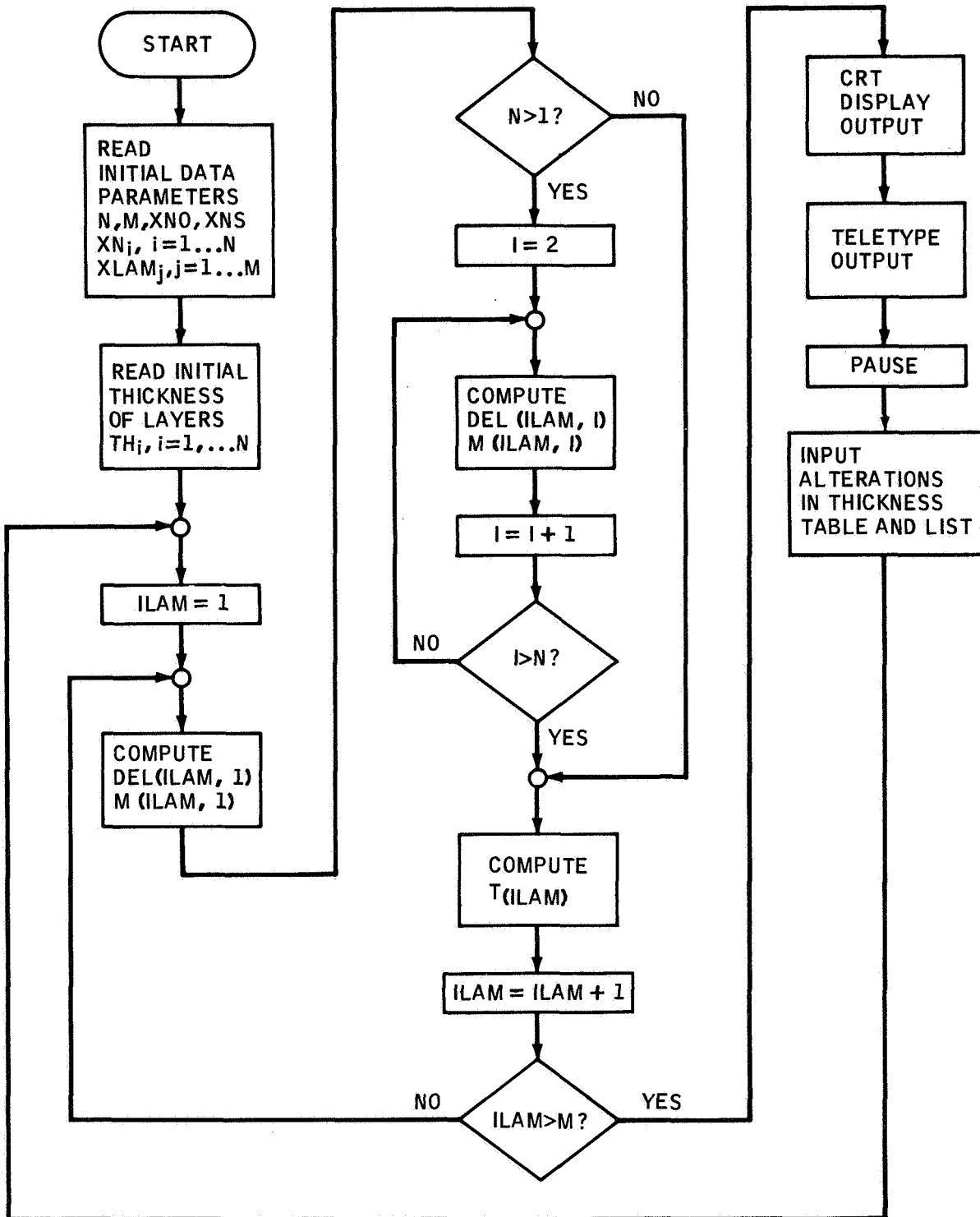


Figure 1. - Main program flow chart (FORTRAN).

MAIN PROGRAM (FORTRAN)

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C; OPTICAL THIN-FILM FILTER EVALUATION
C; MANNED SPACECRAFT CENTER
C; HOUSTON TEXAS
C;
C; READ INITIAL PARAMETERS ON TELETYPE
C; (MANUAL OR PAPER TAPE)
C;
  DIMENSION XN(25),TH(25),XLAM(25),T(25)
  100; FORMAT(I)
  200; FORMAT(E)
  TYPE 101
  101; FORMAT(/,"NUMBER OF LAYERS = ")
  ACCEPT 100,N
  TYPE 102
  102; FORMAT(/,"NUMBER OF LAMBDA = ")
  ACCEPT 100,M
  TYPE 103
  103; FORMAT(/,"XNO = ")
  ACCEPT 200,XNO
  TYPE 104
  104; FORMAT(/,"XNS = ")
  ACCEPT 200,XNS
  TYPE 105
  105; FORMAT(/,"LAYER  ","INDEX OF REFRACTION",/)
  DO 20 I=1,N
  TYPE 106,I
  106; FORMAT (I)
  ACCEPT 200,XN(I)
  20; CONTINUE
  TYPE 107
  107; FORMAT(/,"LAMBDA",/)
  DO 30 I=1,M
  ACCEPT 200,XLAM(I)
  30; CONTINUE
C;
C; INPUT FIRST SET OF THICKNESSES
C;
  TYPE 108
  108; FORMAT(/,"LAYER  ","THICKNESS OF LAYER",/)
  DO 40 I=1,N
  TYPE 109,I
  109; FORMAT(I)
  ACCEPT 200,TH(I)
    40; CONTINUE
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MAIN PROGRAM (FORTRAN) - Continued

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C;
C; Tλ's COMPUTED IN THIS SECTION
C;
C;
      COMPUTE DEL AND M MATRIX
      998; DO 999 ILAM=1,M
      DEL=((6.2831853)*XN(1)*TH(1))/XLAM(ILAM)
      A=COSF(DEL)
      B=SINF(DEL)/XN(1)
      C=XN(1)*SINF(DEL)
      D=A
      IF(N-1)2,4,2
C;
C; HERE FOR N>1 COMPUTE Mn=M
C;
      2; DO 3 I=2,N
      DEL=((6.2831853)*XN(I)*TH(I))/XLAM(ILAM)
      A1=COSF(DEL)
      B1=SINF(DEL)/XN(I)
      C1=XN(I)*SINF(DEL)
      D1=A1
      A2=A*A1-B*C1
      B2=A*B1+B*D1
      C2=C*A1+D*C1
      D2=D*D1-C*B1
      A=A2
      B=B2
      C=C2
      D=D2
      3; CONTINUE
C;
C; Tλ EQUATION
C;
      4; T(ILAM)=4.0/(2.0+A*A*XNO/XNS+D*D*XNS/XNO+C*C/(XNO*XNS)+B*B*XNO*XNS)
      999; CONTINUE

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MAIN PROGRAM (FORTRAN) - Concluded

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C;  
C; GO TO DISPLAY ROUTINE AND RETURN  
C;  
  TYPE 110  
  110; FORMAT(/,"LAMBDA          ","TRANSMITTANCE",/)  
  PAUSE 3456  
C;  
C; PRINT  $X_\lambda$ ,  $T_\lambda$  TABLE  
C;  
  DO 60 I=1,M  
  TYPE 300,XLAM(I),T(I)  
  300; FORMAT(/,E,E)  
  60; CONTINUE  
C;  
C; INPUT ALTERATIONS IN THICKNESS TABLE  
C;  
  70; ACCEPT 400,NINP,I,TH(I)  
  400; FORMAT(I,I,E)  
  C; IF NOS OF INPUTS = 0, START COMPUTING  
  C; IF NOS OF INPUTS IS NON-ZERO, CONTINUE TO INPUT  
  IF (NINP)70,80,70  
  80; TYPE 111  
  111; FORMAT(/,"LAYER  ","THICKNESS",/)  
  DO 90 I=1,N  
  TYPE 500,I,TH(I)  
  500; FORMAT(/,I,E)  
  90; CONTINUE  
  GO TO 998  
END
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LINK PROGRAM (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE)

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/THIS SUBROUTINE TRANSFERS BILBAC PROGRAM DATA
/FROM THE PDP-8 TO THE PDP-5
*6600
SUBR,      0
           CLA
           TAD BADR /SET UP ADDRESS POINTER
           DCA CADR /.....
           TAD I NLAM /GET NUMBER OF LAMBDA'S AND
           DCA TEMP1 /TRANSMITTANCES
           TAD TEMP1 /MULT BY -3
           TAD TEMP1 /.....
           TAD TEMP1 /.....
           CIA /.....
           DCA TEMP2 /PUT IN TEMP2 TO USE AS A COUNTER
           TAD TEMP1 /GET NUM. OF L&T
           6716 /TRANSFER NUM. TO 5
NXWORD,    CLA
           TAD I CADR /GET TRANSMITTANCE DATA WORD
           6711 /WAIT UNTIL 5 IS READY
           SKP /.....
           JMP .-2 /.....
           6716 /TRANSFER TO 5
           ISZ CADR /INCREMENT POINTER
           ISZ TEMP2 /INCREMENT COUNTER AND SKIP IF FINISHED
           JMP NXWORD /NOT FINISHED, GET ANOTHER DATA WORD
           JMP I SUBR /FINISHED, EXIT
TEMP1,     0
TEMP2,     0
NLAM,      7047
BADR,      7051
CADR,      7051
           $

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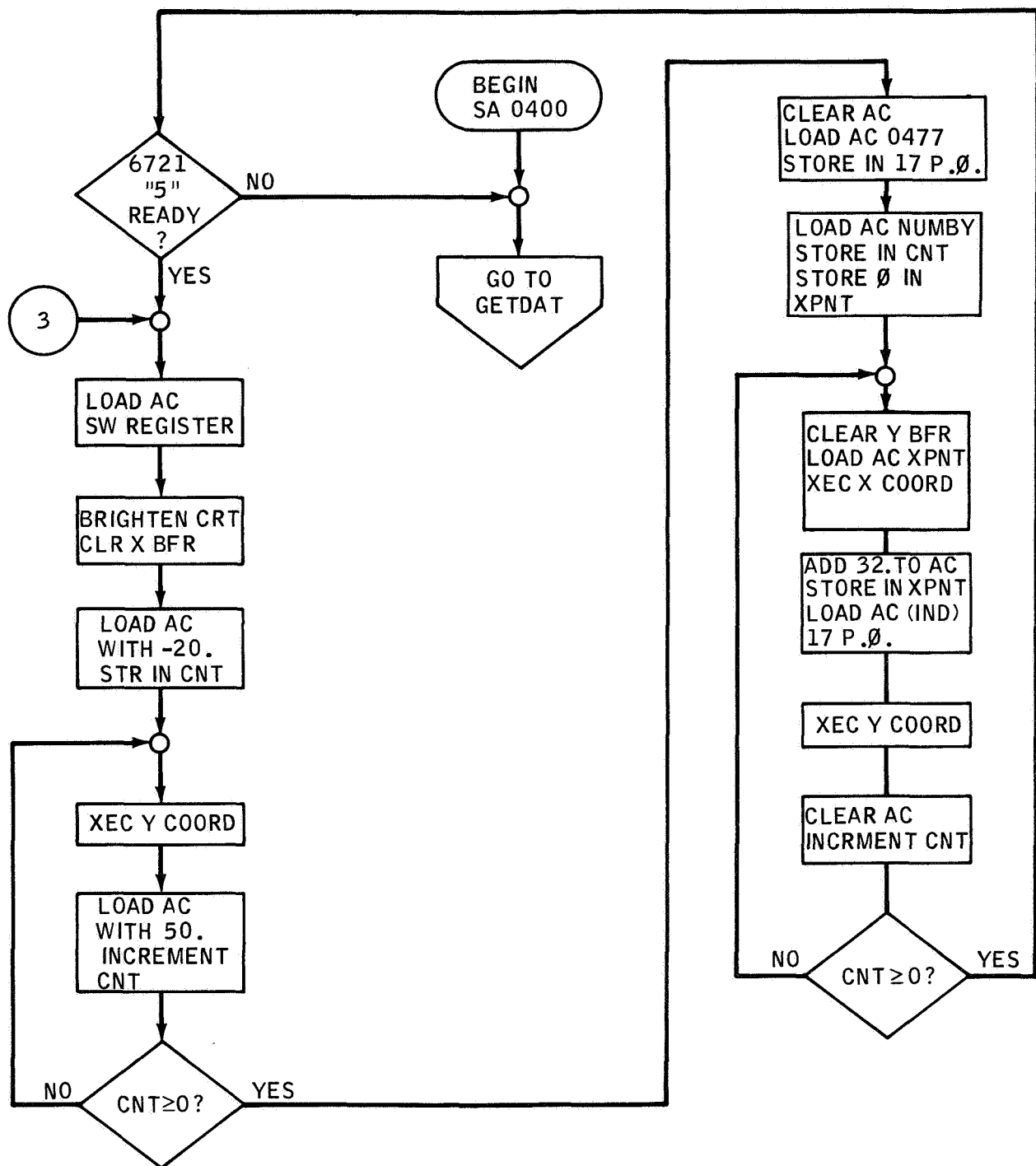


Figure 2. - Cathode ray tube flow diagram.

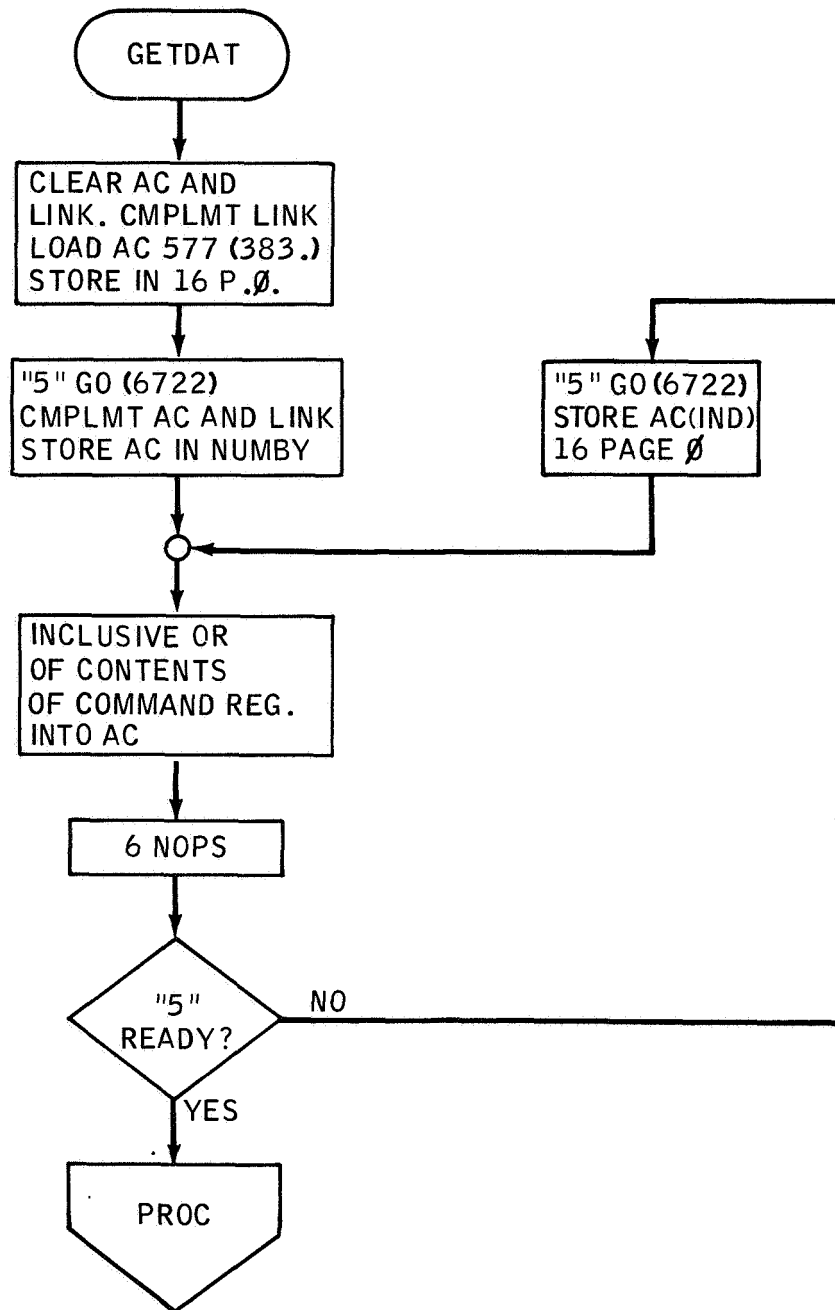


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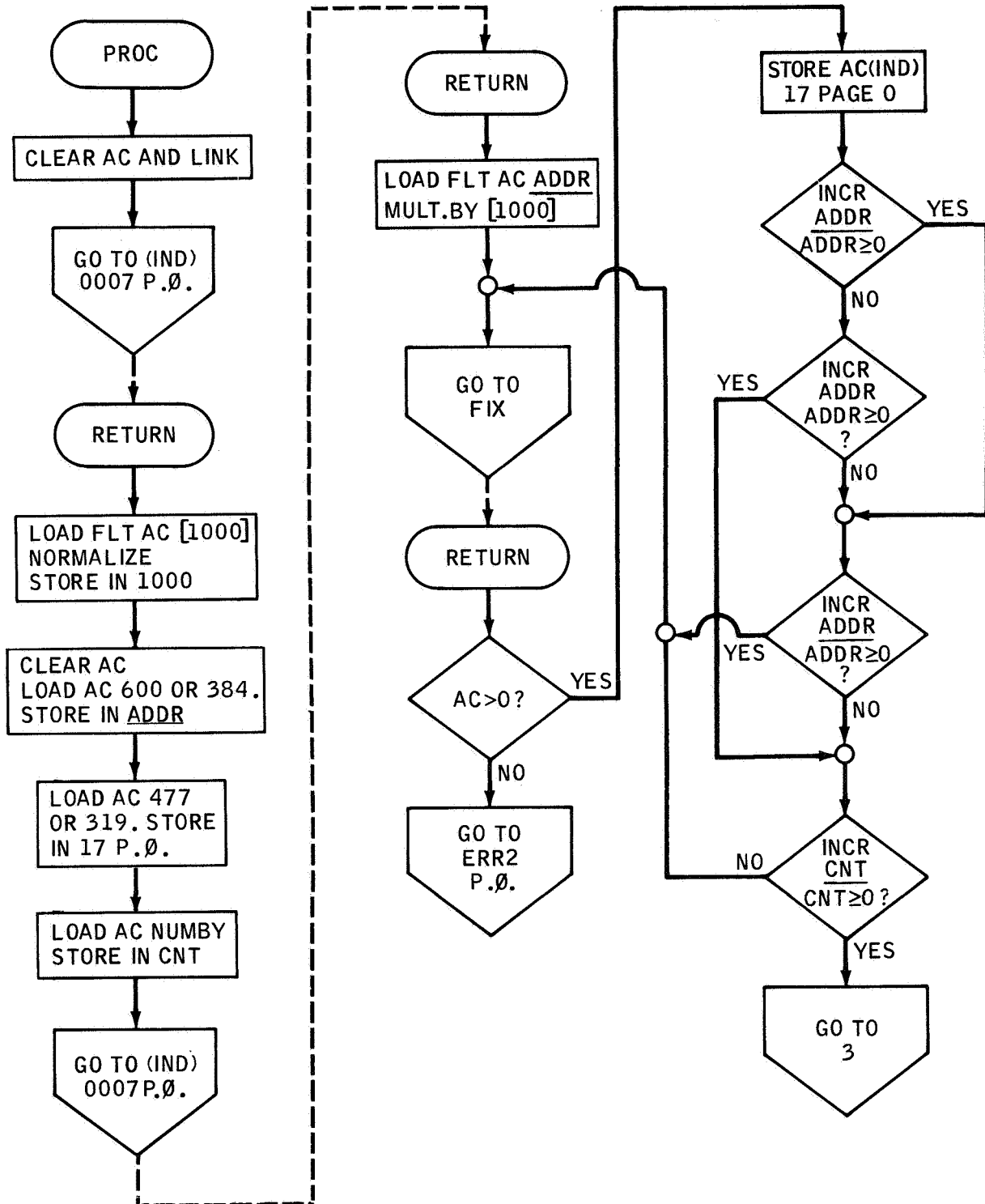


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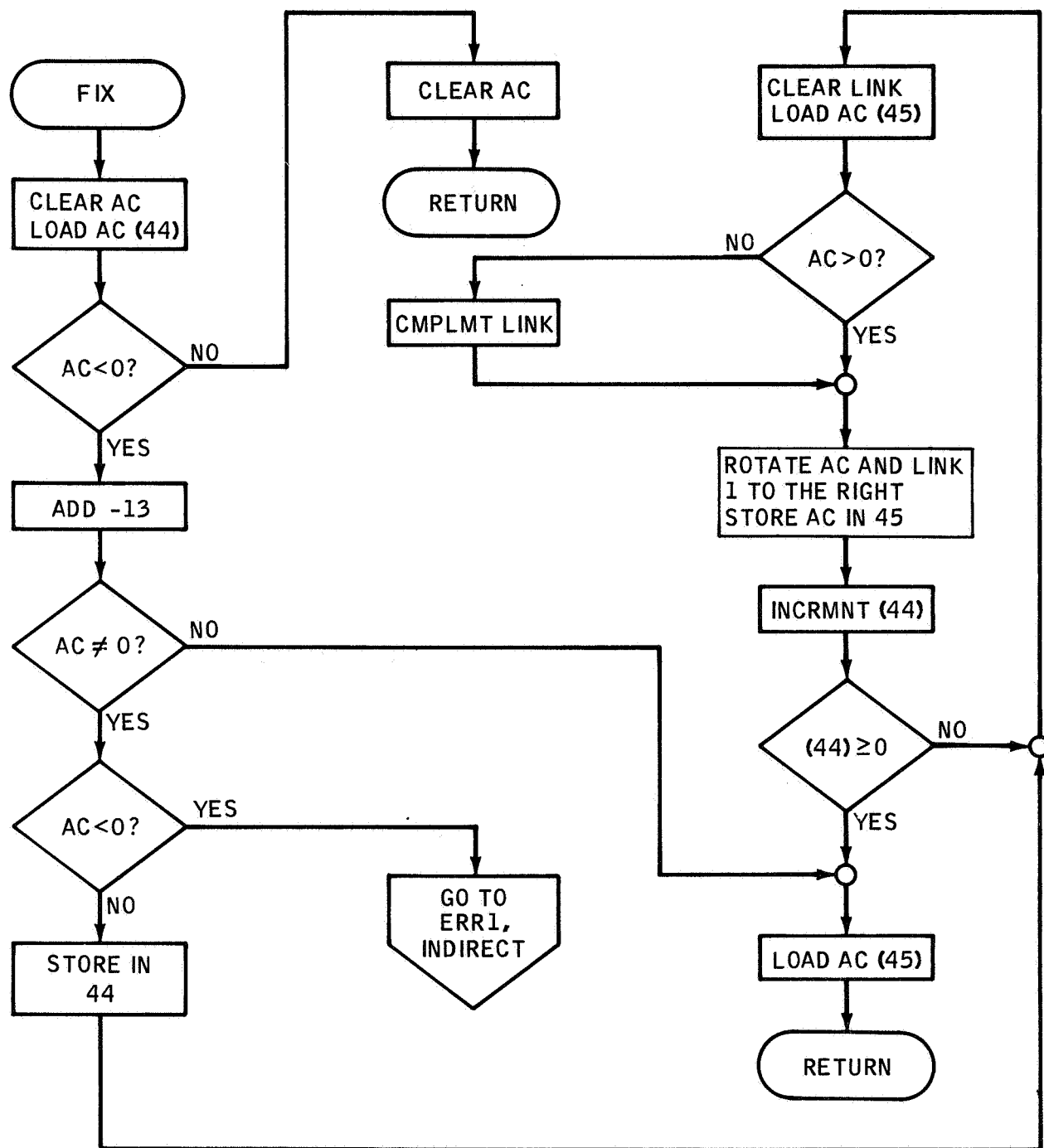


Figure 2. - Concluded.

CRT DISPLAY ROUTINE FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE)

0007	5600		5600
		*7	
0063	0000	*63	
0064	7200	FIX,	Ø
0065	1044		CLA
0066	7540		TAD 44
0067	5072		SZA SMA
0070	7200		JMP .+3
0071	5111		CLA
0072	1112		JMP FIN +1
0073	7450		TAD M13
0074	5110		SNA
0075	7500		JMP FIN
0076	5513		SMA
0077	3044		JMP I ERR1
0100	7100	AGN,	DCA 44
0101	1045		CLL
0102	7510		TAD 45
0103	7020		SPA
0104	7010		CML
0105	3045		RAR
0106	2044		DCA 45
0107	5100		ISZ 44
0110	1045	FIN,	JMP AGN
0111	5463		TAD 45
0112	7765	M13,	JMP I FIX
0113	1000	ERR1,	Ø-13
0114	1001	ERR2,	1000
			1001

CRT DISPLAY ROUTINE FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE) - Continued

		*400	
0400	5201	BEGIN,	JMP .+1
0401	6721		6721
0402	5246		JMP GETDAT
0403	7604		LAS
0404	6074		6074
0405	6051		6051
0406	7200		CLA
0407	1237		TAD C20
0410	3236		DCA CNT
0411	6067		6067
0412	1240		TAD C50
0413	2236		ISZ CNT
0414	5211		JMP .-3
0415	7200		CLA
0416	1241		TAD C477
0417	3017		DCA Z 17
0420	1245		TAD NUMBY
0421	3236		DCA CNT
0422	3244		DCA XPNT
0423	6061	NXTX,	6061
0424	1244		TAD XPNT
0425	6057		6057
0426	1242		TAD C40
0427	3244		DCA XPNT
0430	1417		TAD I Z 17
0431	6067		6067
0432	7200		CLA
0433	2236		ISZ CNT
0434	5223		JMP .-11
0435	5201		JMP BEGIN +1
0436	0000	CNT,	0
0437	7754	C20,	7754
0440	0062	C20,	0062
0441	0477	C477,	0477
0442	0040	C40,	40
0443	0577	C577,	577
0444	0000	XPNT,	0
0445	7740	NUMBY,	7740
0446	7300	GETDAT,	CLA CLL
0447	7020		CML
0450	1243		TAD C577
0451	3016		DCA Z 16
0452	6722		6722
0453	7041		CIA
0454	3245		DCA NUMBY

CRT DISPLAY PROGRAM FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE) - Continued

0455	6724	NXWORD,	6724
0456	7000		NOP
0457	7000		NOP
0460	7000		NOP
0461	7000		NOP
0462	7000		NOP
0463	7000		NOP
0464	6721		6721
0465	7410		SKP
0466	5342		JMP PROC
0467	6722		6722
0470	3416		DCA I Z 16
0471	5255		JMP NXWORD
0472	0012	C1000,	0012
0473	3720		3720
0474	0000		0000
0475	0600	ADDR,	600
0476	0600	C600,	600
		*500	
0500	0000		0
0501	0000		0
0502	0000		0
0503	0000		0
0504	0000		0
0505	0000		0
0506	0000		0
0507	0000		0
0510	0000		0
0511	0000		0
0512	0000		0
0513	0000		0
0514	0000		0
0515	0000		0
0516	0000		0
0517	0000		0
0520	0000		0
0521	0000		0
0522	0000		0
0523	0000		0
0524	0000		0
0525	0000		0
0526	0000		0
0527	0000		0
0530	0000		0
0531	0000		0
0532	0000		0
0533	0000		0
0534	0000		0
0535	0000		0
0536	0000		0
0537	0000		0
0540	0000		0
0541	0000		0

CRT DISPLAY PROGRAM FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE) - Concluded

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                                *542
0542 7300 PROC,                CLA CLL
0543 4407                      JMS I Z 7
0544 5272                      FGET C1000
0545 7000                      FNOR
0546 6272                      FPUT C1000
0547 0000                      FEXT
0550 7200                      CLA
0551 1276                      TAD C600
0552 3275                      DCA ADDR
0553 1241                      TAD C477
0554 3017                      DCA Z 17
0555 1245                      TAD NUMBY
0556 3236                      DCA CNT
0557 4407                      JMS I Z 7
0560 5675                      FGET I ADDR
0561 3272                      FMPY C1000
0562 0000                      FEXT
0563 4063                      JMS Z FIX
0564 7510                      SPA
0565 5514                      JMP I Z ERR2
0566 3417                      DCA I Z 17
0567 2275                      ISZ ADDR
0570 2275                      ISZ ADDR
0571 2275                      ISZ ADDR
0572 2236                      ISZ CNT
0573 5357                      JMP .-14
0574 5203                      JMP BEGIN +3

                                *1000
1000 7402                      HLT
1001 7402                      HLT
1002 5201                      JMP .-1

ADDR      0475
AGN       0100
BEGIN     0400
CNT       0436
C1000    0472
C20      0437
C40      0442
C477     0441
C50      0440
C577     0443
C600     0476
ERR1     0113
ERR2     0114
FIN      0110
FIX      0063
GETDAT   0446
M13      0112
NUMBY    0445
NXTX     0423
NXWORD   0455
PROC     0542
XPNT     0444

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